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FOLLOWING IS EMBASSY TRANSLATION OF TEXT OF "DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL DECLARATION" (DISCUSSED SEPTTEL) ISSUED JULY 10, 1978:

BEGIN TEXT:

WE ARE APPROACHING THE 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE. FOR THE PEOPLE OF THIS NATION THE HISTORY OF THE PAST 30 YEARS HAS MEANT NOTHING BUT DAYS OF HUMILIATION SUFFERED FROM REPRESSIVE DICTATORSHIPS AND EXPLOITATION OF THE PAST REGIMES. THE PRINCIPLE OF DEMOCRACY WHICH HOLDS THAT "ALL THE POWERS EMANATE FROM THE PEOPLE" HAS BEEN MERCILESSLY TRAMPLED. THE DICTATORIAL REPRESSION HAS EXTERMINATED THE HUMANITY OF BOTH THE REPRESSING AND THE REPRESSED GROUP.

WITH THE SPIRIT OF THE MARCH 1ST MOVEMENT AND THAT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SAVE-THE-NATION STRUGGLE AGAINST
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DICTATORSHIP EXPRESSED ON APRIL 19 (1960), WE WILL RESTORE OUR SOVEREIGNTY AND HUMANITY WHICH HAVE BEEN LOST HERETOFORE, AND WILL WIPE OUT THE HUMILIATION WHICH WE, A DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE, HAVE SUFFERED FROM.

BY INTEGRATING THE ENTIRE HERITAGE OF THE DEMOCRATIC SAVE-THE-NATION STRUGGLE AGAINST DICTATORSHIP, WE WILL

MARCH FORWARD TO AN ORGANIZED DEMOCRATIC SAVE-THE-NATION
STRUGGLE BY UNITING ALL THE CONSCIENTIOUS DEMOCRATIC
STRENGTH OF OUR ERA.

1. WE SHALL STAGE A DEMOCRATIC SAVE-THE-NATION
STRUGGLE AGAINST DICTATORSHIP AS ONE ENTITY. MODERNIZA-
TION OF A NATION MUST BE BASED ON THE BASIC PRINCIPLE OF
DEMOCRACY, THAT IS, SOVEREIGNTY RESIDES IN THE PEOPLE.
THE REPRESSIVE POLITICAL SYSTEM AND ITS MACHINERY CAN
BE DESTROYED ONLY BY THE RESISTANCE OF THE DEMOCRATIC
PEOPLE. WITH THE BASIC POSITION THAT OUR DEMOCRATIC
INSTITUTION SHALL BE BUILT UP BY OUR OWN STRENGTH, WE
WILL ATTAIN A GRAND UNITY OF DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE AGAINST
DICTATORSHIP. WE BELIEVE THAT ALL PEOPLE WHO ARE OF
CONSCIENCE AND A SENSE OF SOVEREIGNTY SHALL RISE UP
FROM EVERYWHERE AND AT ANYTIME AND SHALL JOIN US.

2. WE SHALL STAGE A MOVEMENT TO GUARANTEE THE
LIVELIHOOD OF THE PEOPLE WHO OPPOSE CORRUPTION AND
PRIVILEGE. THE LIVELIHOOD OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC IS
WORSE, DUE TO UNPRECEDENTED HIGH PRICES AND HARSH
TAXATION, WHILE ONLY THE CORRUPT AND PRIVILEGED GROUP
MONOPOLIZES THE SWEETS OF THE GREAT ECONOMIC

WHICH THE GOVERNMENT BOASTS. AGGRAVATION OF SOCIAL
IMBALANCE HAS BECOME A HOT HOUSE OF DISUNITY AND
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DISTRUST AMONG THE PEOPLE. UNDER THE ECONOMIC ORDER CONTROLLED BY
THE CORRUPT AND PRIVILEGED GROUP, THE LIVELIHOOD OF THE GRASSROOTS,
IN PARTICULAR THAT OF WORKERS, FARMERS, URBAN POOR AND SALARYMEN, IS
EXTREMELY THREATENED. WE BELIEVE THAT LABOR RIGHTS
MUST BE RETURNED TO THE WORKERS, AND THAT THE
AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES MUST BE CONTROLLED BY THE
FARMERS THEMSELVES. WE CONSIDER THAT THE MOVEMENT
FOR GUARANTEEING THE PEOPLE'S LIVELIHOOD COINCIDES
WITH THE STRUGGLE FOR DEMOCRATIZATION OPPOSING
DICTATORSHIP.

2. WE SHALL BUILD UP A NATIONAL INDEPENDENT ECONOMY,
REJECTING COMPRADOR CAPITAL. A COMPRADOR ECONOMY WHICH
DEPENDS ON FOREIGN INFLUENCE MUST BE REJECTED. GENUINE
FREEDOM CAN BE ENJOYED ONLY BY BUILDING UP AN INDEPENDENT
NATIONAL ECONOMY. WE HAVE TO ROOT OUT ANY POLICY OR
MECHANISM WHICH PLACES OUR WORKERS AS SLAVES OF FOREIGN
CAPITAL. ANY POLICY OF EXPORT OR IMPORT WHICH ALLOWS
EXPLOITATION OF OUR WORKERS MUST BE ABOLISHED OR AMENDED,
AND THE RIGHTS AND INTERESTS OF OUR OVERSEAS WORKERS,
WHO ARE BEING EXPLOITED FOR THE SAKE OF ACCUMULATION OF
WEALTH FOR A FEW PEOPLE, MUST BE GUARANTEED TO THE

MAXIMUM DEGREE.

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4. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE UNIFICATION OF KOREA, WHICH IS ASPIRED TO BY ALL KOREAN PEOPLE. THE PAST REGIMES HAVE MANIPULATED THE SPLIT AND CONFRONTATION AMONG THE PEOPLE FOR THE SAKE OF THE SECURITY OF ITS OWN REGIME. THE PRESENT REGIME, WHICH MISUSED THE UNIFICATION PROBLEM AS A MEANS OF CONSOLIDATING ITS OWN SECURITY AND PERMANENT REIGN, IS NOT QUALIFIED TO DEAL WITH THE UNIFICATION PROBLEM. WE KNOW THE PRESENT REGIME IS DECEITFUL, THAT IS, DOMESTICALLY IT PURPOSELY CREATES AN ATMOSPHERE OF WAR DANGER AND TREATS THE CRITICAL GROUP AS COMMUNISTS, WHILE OUTWARDLY IT EMPLOYS PLAUSIBLE PROPAGANDA AND GESTURE. YOU HAVE TO TREAT THE UNIFICATION PROBLEM WITH THE SPIRIT OF DETENTE EMANATING FROM YOUR HEART. THE APPROACH TO UNIFICATION MUST BE INITIATED BY THE PEOPLE THEMSELVES. WE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT IT IS ONLY POSSIBLE THROUGH REALIZATION OF DEMOCRACY WHICH GUARANTEES THE PARTICIPATION AND THE CREATIVE SPIRIT OF THE PEOPLE. OUR STRUGGLE FOR A DEMOCRATIC SAVE-THE-NATION STRUGGLE AGAINST DICTATORSHIP IS AN EXPRESSION OF THE ASPIRATION

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OF THE PEOPLE FOR THE UNIFICATION OF KOREA.

5. WE SHALL ATTAIN DEMOCRATIC AND NATIONALISTIC PRESS AND EDUCATION. THE PRESENT PRESS WHICH IS CONTROLLED BY THE REGIME MUST BE REPLACED BY A DEMOCRATIC AND NATIONALISTIC PRESS. THE PRESENT EDUCATION SYSTEM WHICH IS FORCED TO FOLLOW THE PRESENT DICTATORSHIP AND REPRESSION MUST BE ENTIRELY TRANSFORMED TO DEMOCRATIC AND NATIONALISTIC EDUCATION. WE SUPPORT THE DECLARATION OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCED BY PROFESSORS OF CHONNAM UNIVERSITY AND THE DECLARATION OF NATIONALISTIC PRESS ANNOUNCED BY TONGA ILBO AND CHOSUN ILBO STRUGGLE COMMITTEES.

6. WE SHALL EMPLOY A DIPLOMACY WHICH CONFIRMS THAT DIGNITY OF THE NATION AND THE PEOPLE. DIPLOMACY MUST BE AN EXTENSION OF DOMESTIC RULE. THE PRESENT DIPLOMATIC FAILURE, INTERNATIONAL ISOLATION AND DAMAGE TO NATIONAL PRESTIGE HAVE BEEN CAUSED BY THE PRESENT REGIME'S DESTRUCTION OF DEMOCRATIC ORDER AND INFRINGEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS. INDEPENDENCE MUST COINCIDE WITH THE CONSENSUS OF ALL HUMAN BEINGS. WE REJECT ANY CONTENTION FOR INDEPENDENCE PUBLICIZED ONLY FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONCEALING INJUSTICE. WE CLEARLY UNDERSTAND THAT COLLUSION WITH A FOREIGN FORCE OF NEO-COLONIALISM IS THE PRIMARY FACTOR WHICH DAMAGES THE DIGNITY OF THE NATION AND THAT OF THE PEOPLE. OVERTHROWING THE DICTATORSHIP, REALIZATION OF DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS, AND ATTAINING GRAND UNITY OF THE PEOPLE ARE THE ONLY SHORTCUTS TO ATTAINING THE GOAL, THAT IS, ENHANCING NATIONAL PRESTIGE TO THE THIRD WORLD AND RESTORING THE DAMAGED DIGNITY OF THE NATION AND THE PEOPLE. WE INTEND TO BUILD A SOCIETY OF PEACE, WHERE JUSTICE PREVAILS AND HUMAN LIFE IS GUARANTEED. THAT IS WHAT THE PEOPLE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ASPIRE FOR FROM THE BOTTOM OF THEIR HEARTS. AS THE FIRST STAGE OF OUR STRUGGLE, WE HAVE DETERMINED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

(A) WE SHALL BREAK THE SO-CALLED YUSIN SYSTEM WHICH IS THE DIRECT AND GREATEST OBSTACLE TO OUR STRUGGLE FOR DEMOCRACY, NATIONALISM, AND THE PEOPLE'S BETTER LIFE. WE SHALL ABOLISH ALL UNDEMOCRATIC EVIL LAWS AND MECHANISMS REPRESSING HUMAN RIGHTS. WE SHALL REJECT ALL ELECTIONS CONDUCTED UNDER THE YUSIN SYSTEM, AND WE SHALL NOT ACCEPT THEM.

(B) WE FULLY SUPPORT THE DECLARATION OF HUMANITY

ANNOUNCED BY THE WORKERS AND FARMERS WHO ARE NOW SUFFERING
FROM HARDSHIP, BEING WHIPPED BY THE DICTATORIAL REGIME
AND EXPLOITED BY THE FEW, CORRUPT AND PRIVILEGED, AND
WE SHALL ASSIST THE WORKERS' AND FARMERS' MOVEMENT FOR
PROTECTION OF THEIR OWN RIGHTS AND INTERESTS. WE SHALL
FIGHT FOR A GUARANTEE OF RIGHTS TO LIVE OF THE WORKERS
AND FARMERS.

(C) THE PRESENT DARKNESS WAS CAUSED BY THE CONTROL
OF THE PRESS BY THE AUTHORITIES. WE SHALL EXERT ALL
EFFORTS FOR RETURN OF A FREE PRESS.

(D) WE SHALL STRUGGLE FOR RELEASE AND RESTORATION OF
RIGHTS OF POLITICAL PRISONERS WHO ARE NOW BEING JAILED
BECAUSE OF POLITICAL RETALIATION AND INTERESTS OF THE
PRESENT REGIME, REGARDLESS OF WHEN, WHERE AND WHY. WE
SHALL ALSO STRUGGLE FOR REINSTATEMENT OF STUDENTS,
PROFESSORS, REPORTERS AND WORKERS WHO WERE FIRED SIMPLY
BECAUSE OF THEIR REASONABLE ACTIONS AND WORDS.

LONG LIVE DEMOCRACY.

LONG LIVE THE DEMOCRATIC SAVE-THE-NATION STRUGGLE
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AGAINST DICTATORSHIP.

LONG LIVE THE STRUGGLE FOR GUARANTEEING THE PEOPLE'S
LIVELIHOOD.

LONG LIVE THE UNIFICATION OF KOREA.

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